It was necessary to construct a road from the Kayamkulam motor bus stand towards the west, past St. Antony's Church, to meet the Kayankulam-Nangayarkulangara road. The road would relieve congestion of traffic from the bazaar road.

The Mankuzhi *todu* in Karuvatta was an important canal in the Kartikapalli taluk. The canal, which was a short route between H[illegible]pad and Karuvatta, had largely been filled up with earth or otherwise become nearly unfit for boat traffic. It should be deepened and widened and kept fit for boat traffic.

There was a well-conducted Homoeopathic dispensary near the Haripad Cutcherry. Several patients were daily treated free in the institution. A grant should be awarded to it.

DEWAN'S REPLY: നിങ്ങൾ പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുള്ളതിൽ പലതും ഗവണ്മെൻറിന്റെ ആലോചനയിൽ ഇരിക്കുന്നതും എസ്റ്റിമേറ് സാങ്ക്ഷൻ ചെയ്തിട്ടുള്ളതുമാണ്. ഇതിൽ ചില വേലകൾ വളരെ ചിലവുള്ളതാണ്. അതിനാൽ ഒരാണ്ടുകൊണ്ടുതീരുകയില്ല.

ഡാണാപടി തോട് കുഴിക്കണമെന്നു നിങ്ങൾ പറഞ്ഞു. ആ തോട് കുഴിച്ച് ആ മണ്ണുകൊണ്ടു തന്നെ കര ഉയർത്തണമെന്നാണ് ഉദ്ദേശം.

മറ്റു സംഗതികളെപ്പറ്റിയെല്ലാം ഗവണ്മെൻറിൽനിന്നും ആലോചിക്കാം.

[Many of the points urged by you are under consideration and estimates have been sanctioned in respect of several of the works. Some of them are very costly and will not be completed in the course of a year. The deepening of the Danapadi canal was urged; it is the idea to utilise the spoil for raising the banks. All the other points of the representation will receive consideration.]

III. Needs of the Kartikapalli taluk.

MR. K. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Municipal Council, Haripad*) speaking in Malayalam, said that in the past there was a Magistrate's Court at Haripad, which, in course of time, was raised to the status of a First Class Magistrate's Court. The court was abolished at the time of the separation of magistracy from the Revenue Department. Since then, many petitions and memorials were sent to Government for the re-establishment of the court. When the Dewan visited the place in 1105, the matter was again represented by the people.

The whole of the Kartikapalli taluk, one half of the Karunagapally taluk and about three-fourth of the Mavelikara taluk were included in the jurisdiction of the Kayamkulam Magistrate's Court. Some *p'kuthies* of the above taluks were fourteen miles away from Kayamkulam

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and hence the arrangement was a source of inconvenience to the people. *Puduval* and *poramboke* work in the Kartikapalli taluk had nearly closed. The Tahsildar might therefore be conveniently invested with Magisterial powers. About fourteen *pakuthies* could be brought within his jurisdiction.

Lands had already been acquired at a cost of Rs. 21,000 for constructing a hospital in the taluk. The existing dispensary was housed in a rented building. Lands having been already acquired at a heavy cost, it was necessary to construct the building without loss of time.

There was a Homoeopathic dispensary at Haripad affording free treatment to the poor. The dispensary was conducted by an efficient doctor. The people of the locality had great faith in the efficacy of that system of treatment The dispensary should be encouraged by the award of a grant.

The Haripad-Elanjimel road, which had nearly disappeared on account of neglect, should be reopened and made fit for cart traffic. It was an important route to Tiruvalla, Chengannoor, Pattanamtitta and the surrounding places. The matter had often been represented in the Assembly.

The Kartikapalli taluk was one of the smallest in the State ; yet it was one of the most thickly populated taluks. The main occupation of the people was agriculture and their wealth consisted of cocoanut palms. The cocoanut palm disease and the unprecedented fall in the prices of the produce of the cocoanut tree had placed a heavy strain on the people. It was feared that the people would not even be able to pay land-tax. The proposed Economic Enquiry Committee, consisting of official and non-official members, should be appointed early. The people of the taluk should be given agricultural loans according to their necessity.

The western portion of the Mundattinkara *todu* should be deepened. If it were deepened, a large area of lands, including 400 *paras* of paddy lands, could be brought under cultivation. The matter was represented on several occasions in the Assembly; but no attention was paid to the representations. The people would not be able to carry out the work themselves. The people of the taluk were contributing about Rs. 3 lakhs annually to the State revenue and were justified in requesting Government to attend to the work. A small allotment was sufficient for the work.

DEWAN'S REPLY: ഹരിപ്പാട്ട് ഒരു മജിസ്ട്രേട്ടുകോടതി സ്ഥാപിക്കണമെന്നു നിങ്ങൾ പറഞ്ഞു. കൊല്ലം ഡിവിഷനിലെ മജിസ്ട്രേട്ടുകോടതികളുടെ ജൂറിസ്ഡിക്ഷനെപ്പറ്റി (jurisdiction) റീകൺസിഡർ (reconsider) ചെയ്യുന്ന അവസരത്തിൽ ഈ സംഗതിയും ആലോചിക്കാം.

ആഫീസുപതി കെട്ടിടത്തെപ്പറ്റി പറഞ്ഞു. അതുസംബന്ധിച്ച് ഏതാനും നടപടി നടത്തിയിട്ടുള്ളതായി കാണുന്നുണ്ട്.

ഹരിപ്പാട്-ഇലഞ്ഞിമേൽ റോഡിനെപ്പറ്റി പറഞ്ഞു. അതിൽ ഏതാനും സ്ഥലത്തു ഗ്രാവൽചെയ്യുന്നതിനു എസ്റ്റിമേറു സാങ്ക്ഷൻആയിട്ടുണ്ടു്.

MEMBER: അങ്ങിനെ ഒരു റോഡുതന്നെയില്ല. അതു പുതുതായി വെട്ടേണ്ടതാണു്.

DEWAN: ഹരിപ്പാട്-ഇലഞ്ഞിമേൽറോഡു ഗ്രാവൽ (gravel) ചെയ്യണമെന്നാണു് ഇതിൽ കാണുന്നതു്. റോഡാക്കീട്ടു ഗ്രാവൽ ചെയ്യണമെന്നായിരിക്കാം ഉദ്ദേശം.

സാമ്പത്തികാധഃപതനത്തെപ്പറ്റി നിങ്ങൾ പറഞ്ഞു. അതു പൊതുവേയുള്ള ഒരു കായ്മാണു്.

പിന്നീടു മുണ്ടാറിൻകര തോട്ടിനെപ്പറ്റിയാണു നിങ്ങൾ പറഞ്ഞതു്. ആ തോടു ജനങ്ങൾ വെട്ടാൻ തയ്യാറുണ്ടോ എന്നു കുറെ വർഷങ്ങൾക്കുമുമ്പു ചോദിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടായിരുന്നു. എന്നാൽ ഇപ്പോൾ, ഈ തോടു നിലങ്ങളുടെ മദ്ധ്യേക്കൂടി പോകുന്നതായതുകൊണ്ടു മറ്റുള്ളവരുടെ നിലങ്ങളിൽ ഇറങ്ങി വെട്ടാൻ പ്രയാസമാണെന്നു നിങ്ങൾ പറഞ്ഞു. ഈ തോടു പോകുന്നതു കണ്ടുകൃഷിനിലങ്ങളുടെ മദ്ധ്യേക്കൂടിയാണു്. അതിൽ പ്രവേശിച്ചു തോടു വെട്ടുന്നതിനു ഗവർണ്മെൻറു അനുവദിച്ചിട്ടും ഉണ്ടു്. ആ പ്രദേശത്തു ൪൦൦ പറ നിലമുണ്ടെന്നും, ഈ തോടു വെട്ടിക്കിട്ടിയാൽ കൂടുതൽ ആദായം കിട്ടുമെന്നും ഇതിലേക്കുള്ള ചിലവു വളരെ കുറവാണെന്നും നിങ്ങൾതന്നെ പറയുകയുണ്ടായി. ആ സ്ഥിതിക്കും ഗവണ്മെൻറു സ്ഥലം തരാമെന്നു പറയുന്ന സ്ഥിതിക്കും ഈ ൪൦൦ പറ നിലങ്ങളുടെ ഉടമസ്ഥന്മാർ എല്ലാവരുംകൂടി യോജിച്ചു് ഈ തോടു വെട്ടുമോ എന്നു ഒന്നുകൂടി ആലോചിക്കേണ്ടതാണു്.

[The establishment of a Magistrate's Court at Haripad will be considered along with the general question of redistribution of criminal jurisdiction in the Quilon Division. Some steps have been taken in regard to the hospital building. An estimate has been sanctioned for gravelling a portion of the Haripad-Elanjimel road. Economic depression is a general subject. In regard to the Mundattinkara *todu*, the *todu* passes through Kandukrishi lands and permission has been granted to cut the *todu* through these lands. As four hundred paras of paddy lands will be benefited, it is desirable to enquire again and find whether the owners of these lands will not carry out the work which is said to be not costly.]

The Assembly adjourned at 5 P. M. to meet again at 11-30 A. M. on Monday the 9th March 1931.